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Sir:

Applicants resubmit their Reply to Office Action dated Feb 15, 2006. Applicants had faxed their original Reply (copy attached) to the USPTO on Feb 15, 2006, which unfortunately has not been recorded on PAIR.

Applicants believe that no extension-of-time fees are due with this submission. However, should any such fees be required in connection with this Reply, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 02-4377. All required extensions of time are hereby requested. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.